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In re Application of

Daniel Shahaf

Serial No.: 10/051,712

Filed: January 17, 2002

For: Inhalation Protection Apparatuses

PETITION DECISION

This is in response to applicants' petition filed January 17, 2002, to make the above-identified application special under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.102(d), as an invention for countering terrorism.

Applicant has satisfied the provisions set forth in M.P.E.P. 708.02 XI. Therefore the petition is **GRANTED**.

The application will be forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

Should there be any questions with regard to this letter please contact John E. Kittle by letter addressed to the Director, Technology Center 3700/2900, Washington, DC 20231, or by telephone at (703) 308-0873 or by facsimile transmission at (703) 308-3139.

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